

AMENDMENT C
(37 C.F.R. 1.116)

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 6 and 8 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121.

Please cancel previously withdrawn claims 10-18 without disclaimer to their content and without prejudice to their subsequent reintroduction into this or a future patent application.

The claims are attached herein on separate sheets.

AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS

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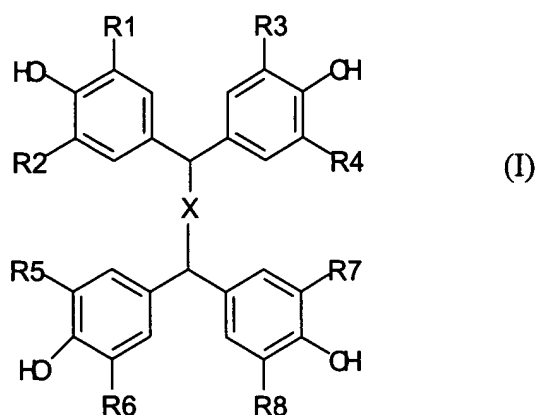
1. - 5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) An epoxy resin composition comprising:

an epoxy resin prior to curing,

a non-clathrated curing agent reacting with an epoxy group of the epoxy resin to cure the resin, and

a tetrakisphenol compound represented by a general formula (I) as a curing accelerator catalyst,



wherein X represents $(CH_2)_n$, wherein n is 0, 1, 2 or 3, and R^1 to R^8 each represents hydrogen, a lower alkyl, a phenyl optionally substituted with halogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl, a halogen or a C_1 - C_6 alkoxy,

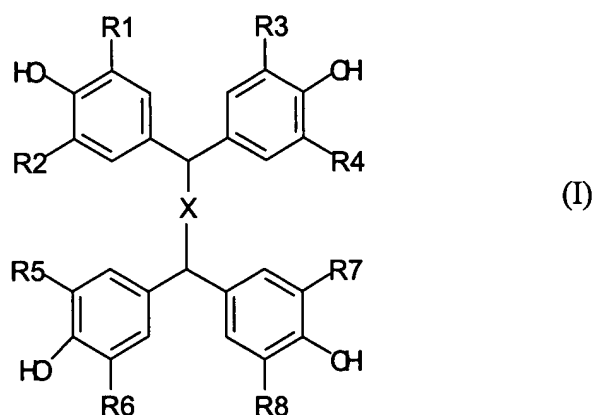
~~wherein mono-substituted diacyandiamides is not used as an additive component,~~ and

wherein the content of said tetrakisphenol compound represented in formula (I) is a range from 0.001 to 0.025 ~~0.1~~ mole based on 1 mole of the epoxy group.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method for curing an epoxy resin comprising a step of mixing a non-clathrated curing agent reacting with an epoxy group of the epoxy resin to cure the resin and a tetrakisphenol compound represented by a general formula (I) as a curing accelerator catalyst

with a non-curing epoxy resin,



wherein X represents $(CH_2)_n$, wherein n is 0, 1, 2 or 3, and R^1 to R^8 each represents hydrogen, a lower alkyl, a phenyl optionally substituted with halogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl, a halogen or a C_1 - C_6 alkoxy,

~~wherein mono-substituted dicyandiamides is not used as an additive component,~~ and

wherein the content of said tetrakisphenol compound represented in formula (I) is a range from 0.001 to 0.025 ~~0.1~~ mole based on 1 mole of the epoxy group.

9. – 18. (Cancelled)